

August 25, 2024



St. John  
Paul II School  
**ALL SCHOOL NEWS**

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**First Day of Classes, Tuesday, August 27, 2024**

Just a reminder that school starts at 8:05 A.M. and dismissal is at 2:51 P.M.

**No School on Friday, August 30, and Monday, September 2.**

**Breakfast and Lunch Available to All Students**

St. John Paul II School offers a free breakfast and lunch program through the Abbey Group and Barnstable Public Schools. Students enrolled at St. John Paul II School are entitled to one free breakfast and one free lunch each full school day.

More information can be found in the [Family Portal](#) and the monthly menu is on the Barnstable Public Schools Food Services website [here](#).

**Opportunities to Worship**

All are welcome to attend Mass in the Our Lady of Fatima Chapel (in the high school building) every Monday and Wednesday at 7:30 A.M. throughout the school year.

**Lunch Volunteers Needed**

Do you have an hour to come in and help with lunches in the Preparatory building? We could use volunteers to assist with the lunch program. If you are available to volunteer, please sign up is [HERE](#). It can be once a week, once a month, whatever works! It's a great chance to get to know other students and become a part of the community.

**School Store Volunteers Needed**

The school store is looking for volunteers for the 2024-2025 school year. We are looking for individuals to volunteer one afternoon a week 2:30-3:30 P.M. Parents from any grade level are welcome to volunteer. If interested in helping out in the school store please contact Amy Kowal at [schoolstore@jpiihyannis.org](mailto:schoolstore@jpiihyannis.org).

**IMPORTANT BUS TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION**

Barnstable Buses:

Barnstable bus service begins on Wednesday, August 28 and will not be available on Tuesday, August 27.

*Cape Cod RTA Buses:*

RTA bus service begins on Tuesday, September 3.

Please note that the location of the stop at Mashpee Commons has moved to Baer's Pet

Center. There is plenty of parking for pick-up/drop-off behind Baer's. Please contact the RTA at 800-352-7155 or [www.capecodrta.org](http://www.capecodrta.org) for more information regarding passes and schedule.

*Over the Bridge Bus:*

Over the Bridge Bus service begins on Tuesday, August 27. Schedule is as follows. Please arrive 5-10 minutes before pickup time.

Morning Route:

6:35 AM: Rte. 3/ Exit 13 - Panera (Plymouth)  
7:00 AM: St. Margaret Church parking lot (Buzzards Bay)  
7:15 AM: Market Basket - in front of the old Bass Store (Bourne)  
7:55 AM: St. John Paul II School arrival

Afternoon Route:

3:10 PM: St. John Paul II School departure  
3:40 PM: Market Basket - in front of the old Bass Store (Bourne)  
4:00 PM: St. Margaret Church parking lot (Buzzards Bay)  
4:20 PM: Rte. 3/ Exit 13 - Panera (Plymouth)

**Mentors Needed!**

Would you like to share your experience with an incoming family? The admissions office is looking for families to mentor our newest members of the JP II Community. Contact [Michael Wahle](#) for more information.

## Fall Athletic Calendar

**School Store Hours This Week:**

2:30-3:30  
Tues Aug, 27  
Wed. Aug 28

**School Store Hours Looking Ahead:**

2:30-3:30  
Tues. Sept. 3  
Wed. Sept. 4  
Fri. Sept. 6



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**GRADES 5-8 NEWS**

**Preparatory Division Sports Information Night- August 28th, 6:00 P.M.**

For all student-athletes and families interested in playing prep soccer or cross country, (Grades 5-8) there will be a sports informational night on August 28th at 6:00 in the JP II gymnasium. Practice, game schedules, and registration information will be provided. Each student-athlete and family member will get to meet their sport's head coach. Contact Athletic Director, [Michael Young](#) with any questions or for more information.

## **Uniforms**

Remember, students should be in uniform on the first day of school, including the school sweater. If the uniform company has not been able to fill your order, please do not worry. New families are reminded to order field trips and gym uniforms. Some grades will attend field trips in September. Please do not hesitate to contact the school Office Manager, Mrs. Siscoe, at [dsiscoe@jprihyannis.org](mailto:dsiscoe@jprihyannis.org) or the Assistant Head of School, Ms. Daly, at [pdaly@jprihyannis.org](mailto:pdaly@jprihyannis.org) with any questions.

## **Aftercare and Study Hall**

Please note that Aftercare and Study Hall will begin on Monday, September 9.

## **Welcome Back Breakfast Sponsored by the Home & School Association**

On Tuesday, August 27, 2024 from 7:45-8:30 the Home and School Association (HSA) invites you to enjoy breakfast in the Art Room as your children embark on their first day of the new school year. All are welcome! Click [here](#) for the flyer.

## **Christian Service for Grades 5-8**

Many local groups and organizations benefit from the thousands of hours of Christian service performed by JPII students. Follow [this link](#) for the paperwork needed to record Christian Service hours and to view the requirements.

## **Take Part in the School Experience**

Help our teachers by acting as a substitute! Grades 5-8 is looking for substitute teachers that are available on an as needed basis. For more information, please reach out to [Ms. Daly](#).

### **This Week:**

#### **Aug. 27:**

8:05 A.M. First Day of School  
No Barnstable Buses  
7:45 - 8:30 A.M. Welcome Back Breakfast

#### **Aug. 28:**

7:30 A.M. Mass in Our Lady of Fatima Chapel  
6:00 P.M. Preparatory Sports Night

#### **Aug 30:**

No School

### **Looking Ahead:**

#### **Sept. 2:**

No School

#### **Sept. 4:**

10:00 A.M. Opening School Liturgy

#### **Sept. 6:**

Summer Reading Tests



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## **Senior Picture Information**

Prestige Photography by Lifetouch is offering a senior portrait session on September 5 outside at the high school. Should you choose this option, please register for the session through Lifetouch. More information and pricing can be found [HERE](#).

### **Uniform Information**

Returning students please note that Donnelly's black and white plaid skirts should no longer be worn. The new Donnelly's navy blue plaid skirts remain acceptable.

The optional quarter-zip pullover with the school logo is not a Tommy Hilfiger item. It may be purchased at the school store or ordered online [here](#)

### **Strings Program**

Any student interested in participating in a Strings program should contact Ms. Valentino.

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##### Sept. 5:

On-Campus Senior Photos



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